# BEARFACTS 1991 – 2001 Washington-Arlington-Alexandria (MSA) [47900]

Washington-Arlington-Alexandria is one of 363 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in the nation. Its 2001 population of 4,928,146 ranked 7th in the nation.

## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 Washington-Arlington-Alexandria had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$42,370. This PCPI ranked 5th in the United States and was 139 percent of the national average, \$30,574. The 2001 PCPI reflected an increase of 4.2 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 national change was 2.4 percent. In 1991 the PCPI of Washington-Arlington-Alexandria was \$27,499 and ranked 2nd in the United States. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.4 percent.

### TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 Washington-Arlington-Alexandria had a total personal income (TPI) of \$208,807,381\*. This TPI ranked 4th in the United States. In 1991 the TPI of Washington-Arlington-Alexandria was \$115,493,275\* and ranked 5th in the United States. The 2001 TPI reflected an increase of 6.5 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 national change was 3.5 percent. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of TPI was 6.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.6 percent.

### COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Washington-Arlington-Alexandria. In 2001 net earnings accounted for 76.7 percent of TPI (compared with 74.9 in 1991); dividends, interest, and rent were 16.7 percent (compared with 18.9 in 1991); and personal current transfer receipts were 6.6 percent (compared with 6.2 in 1991). From 2000 to 2001 net earnings increased 7.3 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 1.6 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 10.0 percent. From 1991 to 2001 net earnings increased on average 6.4 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 4.8 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 6.8 percent.

#### EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Washington-Arlington-Alexandria increased from \$175,230,052\* in 2000 to \$188,185,353\* in 2001, an increase of 7.4 percent. The 2000-2001 national change was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1991 estimate of \$101,016,282\* to the 2001 estimate was 6.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.8 percent.

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<sup>\*</sup>Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.